

## Quarterly Issues/Programs List for KCTS Television Covering the period January – March 2007

### 1. Children at Risk

*Religion & Ethics News Weekly* (Interview/Discussion/Review, 30 minutes)

The series looked at the growing number of religious families across America opting to home school their children. Many of the home school parents believe that the current public education system is fatally flawed, so home schooling is their only choice. However, critics claim home schooling may well prevent students from becoming well-rounded citizens by not allowing for proper socialization and exposure to the world of democracy offered in a public school setting. Airdate: Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 AM on KCTS and KCTS-DT.

*A Place of Our Own* (Interview/Discussion/Review, 30 minutes)

In February, KCTS introduced this new series to viewers in a weekday strip. The series is designed for parents, grandparents, babysitters and anyone else who cares for young children. Viewers discover how children learn and what caregivers need to know to help a child be prepared for kindergarten and beyond. Airdates: Weekdays at 2:00 PM starting February 5<sup>th</sup> on KCTS and KCTS-DT.

*The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer* (Interview/Discussion/Review, News, 8 minutes)

*The NewsHour* reported on a recent case being heard by the Supreme Court that involved rights for parents of special education students. Airdate: Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT.

*KCTS Connects* (Interview/Discussion/Review, 60 minutes)

This episode of *KCTS Connects* looked at the story of Sirita Sotello, a Washington State child who was in and out of foster care homes, having been taken from her parents numerous times. After her father regained custody of Sirita, she died from the abuse of her new step-mother. In response, Gary Malkasian, one of Sirita's former foster parents, set out to fight for a law in Washington that would protect kids from unfit parents and give more power to foster families. Airdate: Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT. Additional airings occurred on KCTS-HD.

*Tavis Smiley* (Interview/Discussion/Review, 30 minutes)

In this episode, Tavis Smiley talked with Children's Defense Fund founder Marian Wright Edelman about health care for children, and the need for U.S. leaders and legislators to support health care programs for children. Airdate: Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 AM on KCTS and KCTS-DT.

### 2. Cultural

*Anti-Semitism in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: The Resurgence* (Documentary, 60 minutes)

This documentary explained the disturbing yet fascinating modern evolution of what some have dubbed "the oldest hatred of the human race." Sixty years after the Holocaust, anti-Semitism is routinely condemned by governments, individuals and the media, but it still persists, manifesting itself on an almost daily basis in regions all over the world. And it's escalating. The documentary explored ways to close the gap between Jews and Christians,

Jews and Muslims and all majority-minority relations. Airdate: Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT.

*KCTS Connects* (Interview/Discussion/Review, 60 minutes)

In this episode of *KCTS Connects*, host Enrique Cerna talked with labor historian and University of Washington professor Michael Honey about Martin Luther King, Jr. Honey discussed a period in King's life when King's fight for desegregation and voting rights shifted to war and the plight of the working class. Airdate: Thursday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT. Additional airings occurred on KCTS-HD.

*KCTS Connects* (Interview/Discussion/Review, 60 minutes)

Embryonic stem cell research is one of the most hotly debated topics in society. In a panel discussion about the research, *KCTS Connects* looked at the issue and whether technology has moved beyond our society's morals. Airdate: Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT. Additional airings occurred on KCTS-HD.

*KCTS Connects* (Interview/Discussion/Review, 60 minutes)

In April, PBS will air a landmark television series, *America at a Crossroads*, which explores the challenges facing the America and the world since 9/11. *KCTS Connects* took an early look at one episode of the series: *Operation Homecoming*. The episode was named for a National Endowment for the Arts project that records written impressions of the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan by U.S. servicemen and women. Airdate: Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT. Additional airings occurred on KCTS-HD.

*The Boomer Century: 1946-2046* (Documentary, 120 minutes)

Boomers have redefined every stage of life they have passed through, and will continue to re-write the rules as they enter the second half of their lives. *The Boomer Century: 1946-2046* covered the past, present and future, looking at the boomer's transformation from innocent children into the idealistic and self-empowering adults of today. The two-hour special followed a generation through the idyllic 1950s to the present as they developed a unique personality and continue to dominate every aspect of American culture. Airdate: Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT. Additional airings occurred on KCTS-HD.

### **3. Housing/Home Ownership/Real Estate Issues**

*About the Money with Christine Chen* (Interview/Discussion/Review, 30 minutes)

Home prices went up again in Western Washington at the end of 2006, as did the number of homes going on the market. Home sales, however, have been on the decline. In the pilot episode of *KCTS*' new finance series, *About the Money* looked at what is going on in the local housing market. Airdate: Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT. Additional airing occurred on KCTS-HD.

*About the Money with Christine Chen* (Interview/Discussion/Review, 30 minutes)

Very few people can ever afford their dream home. In the pilot episode of *About the Money with Christine Chen*, the series examined the financial sense of remodeling, looking at which remodeling projects are the most popular right now and which ones give homeowners the best return on their investment. Airdate: Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT. Additional airing occurred on KCTS-HD.

*NOW* (Interview/Discussion/Review, 30 minutes)

In this episode of *NOW*, host David Brancaccio looks at a radical, yet surprisingly effective approach to solving the problem of homelessness in America. Airdate: Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8:00 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT.

*About the Money with Christine Chen* (Interview/Discussion/Review, 30 minutes)

A month after *About the Money* looked at slowing home sales in late 2006, KCTS' new finance series updated viewers with news of a rebound that came in late January after the worst of the Northwest's winter weather. Airdate: Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT. Additional airing occurred on KCTS-HD.

*The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer* (Interview/Discussion/Review, News, 12 minutes)

In this segment, *The NewsHour* looked at the likelihood of a rise in the level of U.S. home foreclosures. The report cited U.S. Federal Reserve Governor Susan Bies, who anticipated an even higher level of mortgage default rates in the coming months on loans made to high-risk borrowers. Economists went on to explain what's behind the trend and discussed the consequences. Airdate: Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT.

#### **4. Healthcare**

*The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer* (Interview/Discussion/Review, News, 11 minutes)

California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger has proposed a universal health care program that would extend coverage to the California's uninsured population. In this report, a California health official and *NewsHour* correspondent Susan Dentzer discuss implications of the proposed plan. Airdate: Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT.

*To the Contrary* (Interview/Discussion/Review, 30 minutes)

This episode of the weekly panel discussion show looked at child obesity and a new program in which school aged children are taking a more active role in their health by choosing healthier school lunch alternatives. Airdate: Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 AM on KCTS and KCTS-DT.

*The Hidden Epidemic: Heart Disease in America* (Documentary, 120 minutes)

Twenty-three million Americans are living with heart disease, and an aging population only makes the problem more urgent than ever before. This documentary examined myths about heart disease, provided solid information about risks and warning signs and investigated promising new ways to predict and treat heart disease before it becomes life threatening. Airdate: Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT.

*The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer* (Interview/Discussion/Review, News, 8 minutes)

*The NewsHour* reported on the debate over mandatory cervical cancer vaccination. The report looked at a recent study that states by age 24, over one-third of American women contract the human papilloma virus (HPV), which has been linked to cervical cancer. Following the report, two guests debated mandatory HPV vaccinations for school-age girls. Airdate: Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT.

*American Experience: The Boy in the Bubble* (Documentary, 60 minutes)

When David Vetter died at the age of 12, he was already world famous: the boy in the plastic bubble. Mythologized as the plucky, handsome child who had defied the odds, his life story is in fact even more dramatic. It is a tragic tale that pits ambitious doctors against a bewildered, frightened young couple. It is a story of unendingly committed caregivers and resourceful scientists on the cutting edge of medical research. This *American Experience* raises some of the most difficult ethical questions of our age. Did doctors, in a rush to save a child, condemn the boy to a life not worth living? Did they, in the end, effectively decide how to kill him? Airdate: Monday, Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM on KCTS and KCTS-DT.

## **Children's Programming**

### **1. Monday through Friday (January 1 to February 2)**

6:00 a.m.	Teletubbies
6:30 a.m.	Mister Rogers' Neighborhood
7:00 a.m.	Bob the Builder
7:30 a.m.	Arthur
8:00 a.m.	Curious George
8:30 a.m.	Clifford
9:00 a.m.	Dragon Tales
9:30 a.m.	It's a Big Big World
10:00 a.m.	Sesame Street
11:00 a.m.	Between the Lions
11:30 a.m.	Barney
2:00 p.m.	Reading Rainbow
2:30 p.m.	Zoboomafoo
3:00 p.m.	Cyberchase
3:30 p.m.	Maya and Miguel
4:00 p.m.	Arthur
4:30 p.m.	Curious George
5:00 p.m.	Clifford's Puppy Days

### **(February 5 to March 30)**

6:00 a.m.	Teletubbies
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7:00 a.m.	Bob the Builder
7:30 a.m.	Arthur
8:00 a.m.	Curious George
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3:30 p.m.	Maya and Miguel
4:00 p.m.	Arthur
4:30 p.m.	Curious George
5:00 p.m.	Zoboomafoo

### **2. Weekends**

#### **Saturdays (January 6 to March 31)**

6:00 a.m.	Make Way for Noddy
6:30 a.m.	Jay Jay the Jet Plane

7:00 a.m.	Thomas & Friends
7:30 a.m.	The Big Comfy Couch
8:00 a.m.	Franny's Feet
8:30 a.m.	Jakers! The Adventures of Piggley Winks
9:00 a.m.	Postcards from Buster
9:30 a.m.	Fetch with Ruff Ruffman

**Sundays (January 7 to January 28)**

7:00 a.m.	The Zula Patrol
7:30 a.m.	Signing Time
8:00 a.m.	Mustard Pancakes
8:30 a.m.	Maya and Miguel
9:00 a.m.	The Saddle Club
9:30 a.m.	Zoom

**Sundays (February 4 to March 25)**

7:30 a.m.	Signing Time
8:00 a.m.	Mustard Pancakes
8:30 a.m.	Maya and Miguel
9:00 a.m.	The Saddle Club
9:30 a.m.	Zoom